**Amroth Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned Llanrath**

**Draft Minutes** of meeting held by Amroth Community Council on Thursday 13th December 2018

**Councillors present:** P Davies; F Evans; R Harries; B James; J James; R Lewis; M Megarry; S Phillips (Chair);

**In attendance:** Mrs Kathryn Bradbury (Clerk); County Cllr Tony Baron

**Apologies:** R Tippett Maudsley; M Morris; A Davies

**Register of Interest –** None

**Chair’s Welcome**

The Chair welcomed all Councillors to the meeting.

**Minutes** of the meeting held on Thursday 22ndNovember 2018 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr.Roger Harries

Seconded by Cllr.Pauline Davies

Signed by Cllr S Phillips following completion of the meeting.

**Matters arising from previous minutes;**

* An advert was placed for the vacant councillor post in the Tenby and Narberth Observer and on the Amroth and Llanteg Community Websites. Applications are still being invited from residents.
* The new Amroth and District Community Association website is now working. Residents can use it to find out news and events taking place in the community. The web host is Mr. Kelvin Thomas.
* Update following meeting with Darren Thomas, Head of Infrastructure at PCC
1. Road from Llanteg to Tavernspite: near the top of the hill at Old Stable Cottage there is a drop off the carriageway, which needs filling in with planings or similar. This work is due to be carried out soon.
2. Summerhill bus stop – there is parking occurring which is blocking the stop. Better signage is to be arranged to try to stop this.
3. Pleasant Valley near the Chapel – officers from PCC Street Care team have inspected the site and written to the landowner. No response to date; this is being followed up.

1. Amroth, New Inn end: parking on the triangular piece by the end of the sea wall which needs resolving. Marc Owen has been in discussion with the traffic team. However, the history of this site is to be reviewed and Marc Owen is following this up.
2. Amroth Sea Front – concern about parking in the vicinity of the Pirates Café and over that seafront length as it causes obstruction especially in the Summer. The Traffic Engineer, John Price, is reviewing this. ACC have been asked for their input. **Agreed;** Councillors suggest adding an additional disabled parking space by the ramp to the Promenade. Turn one of the disabled spaces by the toilets into a regular parking space and limit the disabled space by the toilet to one hour to allow use of the toilet. It was agreed to request that parking from the ramp to the Flag poles should be prevented for all vehicles, all year round, this being in the interests of road safety, and to keep the area clear for through traffic, especially emergency vehicles. Cllr. Phillips to contact Darren Thomas with this suggestion.
3. Former Chapel. This used to have a light attached to the chapel, but it was removed when the chapel was converted, and now there is a “gap” in lighting. Darren Thomas referred Councillors to Mel Stephens’ response on the 2nd October 2018 to say that a replacement will be considered in the new financial year.

1. Extending speed limit at Summerhill – Still no news on this. (Assistant Transport Planner, Clare Williams, who overseas traffic survey requests, is being contacted for an update)

1. Welcome to Amroth Sign – the sign on the hill down from Summerhill is in poor condition. It has a metal backing plate but timber lettering. Emyr Llewellyn of PCC has been in touch. The sign is on sited highways land however, there is no objection to the council replacing the signs if the current width is not exceeded.
* Work is to be carried out in the near future to raise the level of the kerb to prevent water overflowing into the garden of Mr Andrew Mason.

**County Councillors Report**

Cllr Tony Baron thanked Councillors for attending the meeting on the 12th December with Cllr. Bob Kilmister, Cabinet member for Finance at PCC. This was the first meeting of its kind in the county. Amroth Community Councillors expressed their appreciation that he came and commended Cllr. Kilmister for his presentation and his knowledge. Cllr. Baron explained that he has a very difficult job in balancing Council books as the Council is under huge strain financially.

Council tax on second homes has been confirmed at 150% of Pembrokeshire residents charge. There are 173 second homes in the Amroth ward. Money still available to community groups through the Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant. Cllr, Baron is keen to see monies raised in the Amroth ward spent in the Amroth ward. This may be a possible source of funding for the new village signs.

A consultation has been published on LDP2. Cllr. Baron urged residents to look at what is being proposed. There are a number of Candidate sites in the area. The consultation period offers a further opportunity to put in for additional candidate sites.

Cllr. Baron expressed disappointment that the National Park had rejected the Temple Bars planning application to convert part of the bar into a staff flat. The reason given was that the building is located in the flood zone although other applications for other properties in the same situation have been approved.

Cllr Baron looking into the possibility of the asset transfer of the car park to the Community Council.

**Planning**

**18/0770/PA** **The Old Victorian School, Kilgetty Lane, Stepaside. SA67 8LQ.** Variation of condition 4 of Planning Ref 07/0588/PA to allow for amended parking Plan. **Conditionally** **Approved**

**NP/18/0642/FUL Craig Y Borian farm, Llanteg, Narberth. SA67 8QL.** Provision of domestic LPG bulk tank & Concrete base. **Approved.**

**18/0823/DC Land at the Old Victorian School, Kilgetty Lane, Stepaside. SA67 8QL. Proposal;** Discharge of conditions 7(foul drainage), 8 (grey water disposal) and 9

 (Landscaping scheme of permission 10/101309/PA (erection of three dwellings.) **Partially approved, partially refused. Reasons;** The Cess pool warning device will only be discharged once the device is installed and operating. The conditions cannot be fully discharged until the development is carried out.

**APP/N6845/X/18/3205566 Land North of Stag Hill, Stepaside.** The appeal was dismissed as the appellant was unable to demonstrate that the caravan had been in continuous use for the previous ten years

**18/0904/PA Blaencilgoed Quarry, C3123 Jct C3070 Longstone to Jct C3026, Ludchurch, Narbeth, SA67 8LD.** Proposal Variation of condition 64 of planning application 98/0004/MN 98/0005/MN and 98/0006/MN. **Comments by 21st December 2018 (**Condition 64 relates to the prevention of deliveries of gritstone to the site. Previous variations have been approved to allow this to happen, however the most recent have recently expired. Aim is to renew for two years when a full review of the site will have been carried out.) **No Objection.**

**Correspondence**

**From local Government Finance and Workforce Partnerships Division**

The appropriate sum for the purposes of section of 137(4)(a) of the local Government Act 1972 for Community and Town Councils in Wales for 2019-20 is £8.12 per elector.

The Act permits each council to spend on activities for which it has no other specific powers if the council considers that the expenditure is in the interests of and will bring direct benefits to, the area or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants, providing that the benefit is commensurate with the expenditure. Councils are also permitted under section 137(3) to incur expenditure for certain charitable and other purposes, up to this maximum.

**Waste and Recycling collections over the Christmas period**

All collections in Community Council area will be as normal.

**The National Park Authority** is reviewing the current [National Park Management Plan](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%252FFiles%252Ffiles%252FManagement%252520Plan%252FFinal%252520Management%252520Plan%2525202015-19%252FNational%252520Park%252520Management%252520Plan%2525202015-2019%252520(Eng)%252520www.pdf%26data%3D02%257C01%257C%257Cec46e659771b42214e8c08d6512d133e%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C636785651364781794%26sdata%3D%252BMjP2yCjYV9vieJ14FvyacSob9nRgBXyGnQpw0l71Go%253D%26reserved%3D0&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4fdbaca456fd4da6362508d655e5a320%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636790842098882162&sdata=gtKPzL%2BYHi%2B1FeWMahrxFwLMf9MNAEMWZLGOOQt9rks%3D&reserved=0) (2015-2019) in line with an [engagement strategy](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%252FFiles%252Ffiles%252FCommittee%252FNPA%252F2018%252F20%252520June%252520AGM%252520and%252520Ordinary%252F25_18%252520Nat%252520Park%252520Man%252520Plan.pdf%26data%3D02%257C01%257C%257Cec46e659771b42214e8c08d6512d133e%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C636785651364781794%26sdata%3Dr2xJydciHlwRnRu7bI16jS7wNtV2i9i6ev8jWdFPGa8%253D%26reserved%3D0&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4fdbaca456fd4da6362508d655e5a320%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636790842098882162&sdata=i56drIFzOfvkX11bmQXVhKFlGP5KVcUmXg9IJENvINs%3D&reserved=0) approved by the National Park Authority on 20th June 2018.

At this stage the Authority is inviting comments on “[Opportunities and Challenges. Discussion Paper for the Management Plan 2020-2024](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%252FFiles%252Ffiles%252FManagement%252520Plan%252FManagement%252520Plan%252520discussion%252520paper%252520English%252520web.pdf%26data%3D02%257C01%257C%257Cec46e659771b42214e8c08d6512d133e%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C636785651364781794%26sdata%3D8%252FaTeT8cfkbUMmdKAXot%252BsImaz4hpTjrjbCAo8gJwpo%253D%26reserved%3D0&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4fdbaca456fd4da6362508d655e5a320%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636790842098882162&sdata=mXZYIIBzf%2B7pkWKOvuBYd0CBtvQS8gNVcB6oehZlhz8%3D&reserved=0)”. Views will directly inform a consultation draft National Park Management Plan 2020-2024 which is scheduled for preparation in Spring 2019 and will be formally consulted on between August and October 2019.

An [interactive version of the maps](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fpcnpa.maps.arcgis.com%252Fapps%252Fwebappviewer%252Findex.html%253Fid%253D67ac4c4816f345089e01f8e70a95bcc1%26data%3D02%257C01%257C%257Cec46e659771b42214e8c08d6512d133e%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C636785651364781794%26sdata%3Dz7RPIuOpVS7PMFbSMjQbqh%252Ft48BEPlN3IfkHChmaaW0%253D%26reserved%3D0&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4fdbaca456fd4da6362508d655e5a320%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636790842098882162&sdata=qpdqCqLg96XltDaHNK%2FXf%2But9%2Fe8fob06MyJ4VEd2a4%3D&reserved=0), and a [Word version of the questionnaire](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%252FFiles%252Ffiles%252FManagement%252520Plan%252FQuestionnaire.docx%26data%3D02%257C01%257C%257Cec46e659771b42214e8c08d6512d133e%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C636785651364781794%26sdata%3DBEWdl27qsGffkW5T%252BcmdqHg2bJcE5Q8z%252FNfnLpwczng%253D%26reserved%3D0&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4fdbaca456fd4da6362508d655e5a320%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636790842098882162&sdata=aiWq7r2tZwVscycvniU1dEGvU1lvn66b%2F9d8ZDHL8ws%3D&reserved=0) are also available. **The closing date for comments is 5pm, Friday 4th January 2019.**

**From Kevin Shales, PCC. The ‘Clip’ toolkit** is now available on the ‘Your Community’ page of Pembrokeshire County Council’s website. [https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/clip-toolkit](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.pembrokeshire.gov.uk%2Fclip-toolkit&data=02%7C01%7C%7C93603b6c056943d8fadc08d6561a7ed0%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636791071847523339&sdata=ZYPxKscmlMIeGMkTSkSd0Abbng76m6RvHA0vDSKZzcQ%3D&reserved=0)

 This web-based information resource has been developed to help community groups, businesses and local organisations navigate through the wide range of information required for planning new activities and developing existing projects. It includes up to date guidance and advice as well as signposting to reliable websites, appropriate organisations and officers who are best placed to help.

**The Welsh Government** proposes to develop a package of resources for Community and Town Councils to increase their awareness and help increase their use of Welsh.  The package will include practical resources and support in the most appropriate format whether that is online, in hard copy or delivered in other ways to assist individual Councils to increase their use of Welsh. To help them do this they have asked councils to respond to a short survey.

 <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RDPC8ZD>

**Local Development Plan 2 (LDP 2). Pre-Deposit (inc. Preferred Strategy)**

 **Consultation takes place between 17 December - 4 February 2019**

Local Development Plan 2 (LDP 2) consultation.  The Local Development Plan sets out a framework for determining planning applications and directing new growth in Pembrokeshire (excluding the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park).  The Council is working on a replacement plan and this consultation will help influence the final LDP’s content.

The Council is undertaking an eight week consultation on Pre-Deposit LDP documents between 17 December and 4 February 2019.  The consultation closes at 4.30pm. These documents include a Preferred Strategy, the Candidate Sites Register (with the opportunity to submit further Candidate sites), the LDP Review Report, the Initial Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitats Regulations Appraisal Screening.

More information about these documents and the replacement Local Development Plan process can be viewed on our website [www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/local-development-plan-review](https://nam05.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.pembrokeshire.gov.uk%2Flocal-development-plan-review&data=02%7C01%7C%7Ce70e223421a543d3b56f08d65abe1490%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636796169768205454&sdata=wjVuDy%2Fl5TGz2HUdomtHEADqlDe5wRtL9VtUfdBsgVo%3D&reserved=0).  Paper copies can be viewed at County Hall, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire libraries and contact centres within the County.

Comments on the consultation should be made via the above web page or via the Council’s ‘Have Your Say’ webpage where you will find comments forms and site submission forms. Completed forms will be uploaded to **My Account.**

**Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Local Development Plan (end date 2031) (LDP) Update**

1.      **Submission to the Welsh Government / Inspectorate**

 The Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority is submitting proposals in the week beginning 3 December 2018 for the above LDP to the Welsh Government for Examination.

 The documents comprise the Deposit LDP, a Sustainability Appraisal Report (incorporating an Environmental Report), the Habitats Regulations Assessment, the Equalities Impact Assessment, the Delivery Agreement, a Review Report, a Consultation Report, copies of representations and other supporting documents, and the Focussed Changes document.

 Copies of the LDP documents are available for inspection free of charge on publicly accessible computers at the following locations:

* Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority Headquarters, Llanion Park, Pembroke Dock, Pembrokeshire, SA72 6DY. Opening hours: Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm and Friday 9am to 4.30pm.
* Oriel y Parc Gallery and Visitor Centre, St Davids, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6NW. Opening hours: every day 9.30am-4pm.
* Libraries during their normal opening hours.

They are also available on the Authority’s website [www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/haveyoursay](http://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/haveyoursay)

**2.      Authority’s response to Representations Received**

Comments made on the Deposit Consultation have been considered by the Authority. The Authority’s response to your representations (if submitted) can be found here: [Consultation Report page](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%2Fdefault.asp%3FPID%3D876&data=02%7C01%7C%7C8ba319e367944a0bc14908d65c53e797%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636797912766879824&sdata=eNnGEd8fliHSA0U7aBuHa525ouW8HtPkCcqspL5P9kc%3D&reserved=0).

**3.      Advertisement of Proposed Focussed Changes**

The National Park Authority also agreed changes to the Local Development Plan on 28 November 2018. These changes are available for comment until **4.30 pm on Friday 15 February 2019.** They are available on our web site [Focussed Changes](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.pembrokeshirecoast.wales%2Fdefault.asp%3FPID%3D880&data=02%7C01%7C%7C8ba319e367944a0bc14908d65c53e797%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636797912766879824&sdata=vscHlcpiI9aeTfR491aa9vtBJu%2Fh3oYFQuqZk5mJyWY%3D&reserved=0) along with a representation form.

Comments made at this stage can only address these Proposed Focussed Changes. This is not an opportunity to add to previous representations, or to make new comments on parts of the Local Development Plan not subject to a change. The Authority will make a response to these representations directly to the Inspector.

**Representations must be received by the Authority by 4.30pm on Friday 15 February 2019.**

 **Finance**

All financial matters were discussed and resolved.

Full available details on application to the Clerk

**Community meeting with Councillor Bob Kilmister, Cabinet Member for Finance**

Discussed

**Update on Amroth Car park Seasonal parking Issue**

Stephen and Pauline attended a meeting of the National Park Board where the issue of seasonal parking charges was discussed. It was disappointing that there was no review of the objections. Instead, Gary Meopham offered to answer questions. He also stated that the introduction of charges was not about maximising revenue and that a variation notice only gives power to introduce charges, not necessarily to apply them. This comment was disputed as ACC understand that a variation notice has been sent to the council specifically to introduce a charge. It was also reported that neither Amroth nor Angle had made a formal approach to take over their car parks. If the proposal is rejected by PCC or there is any delay in the decision, charges will be delayed for 12 months as they cannot be introduced after season starts. It is likely that the Parks will need to have another meeting to introduce charges after PCC has made their decision to approve or reject the Variation Notice. PCC will make their decision at a meeting on 14th Jan where Cllr. Phil Baker will put the case for the notice to cabinet.

**Agreed;** Amroth carpark is central to the hub of the commercial area in Amroth and therefore Amroth CC will make a formal application to the Park to take over the car park at a peppercorn rent. This application will be copied to PCC with letters lobbying PCC Councillors.

**Report by Amroth and District Community Association**

Last month’s table top sale went well.

Unfortunately, the Whitland Male Voice Choir event was poorly attended.

The hall will become quieter over the Christmas period.

**Report by Llanteg Village Hall Committee**

* A new painting class has started in the hall and is proving quite popular.
* A new gardening club has been set up by Roy James.
* Marys book club continues to thrive
* Information on the Walking Group and the walks organised for the year ahead is on the village web site
* There has been an enquiry into using the hall as a Photographic studio
* The Hall Committee was delighted to receive £5800 from Co-op Community fund to enhance the hall. They are planning to improve lighting in main hall and purchase a projector for use by community groups who use the hall. The Hall Committee expressed their gratitude to the Co-op for the money.

**Monthly Police meeting**

* New Divisional Commander attended.
* Obstruction of Police Enforcement vehicles is a crime. This now includes the speed check van as the operators are classed as police support
* It was reported that crime in Amroth has reduced by 53% in last 12 months
* Police meetings take place on first Monday of the month. The next meeting is on the first Monday in Feb when the Police and Crime commissioner will attend.
* Residents are to beware of domestic heating oil thefts
* Scams still threaten the community. The latest are calls pertaining to be from HMRC, asking for personal details. The caller threatens to prosecute if information is withheld. This is not HMRC and residents are advised not to pass on personal details.
* Crime prevention advice can be obtained from PCSO Graham Kendall 8120

**Matters to be added to agenda for next meeting**

* It has recently become apparent that Amroth played a major part in the preparation for the D day landings during WW2. While Bertie the Sea Bass is on tour visiting other communities, it has been suggested that an information board about this is produced to go on the plinth. Exercise Jantzen (1943) was to establish the operational difficulties of a beach landing, in preparation for the landings in Normandy. The council agreed to assemble all available information about the exercise, and to investigate the provision of a display board on the front. Cllr. Phillips is to meet a local historian to establish the facts, and councillors will review the project at the January meeting.

**Any other or Urgent Business**

* Cllr. Mary Megarry reported that there is an issue of parking on the road opposite Heritage Park which is causing obstruction.

Planning permission is in place for Heritage Park Developments to place more lodges on the park further down opposite Heritage View. Some work has now commenced; and the effect already has been that cars are now parking at the entrance to the park and, more worryingly, along the road to Stepaside. This is already a problem area. Cllr Megarry has contacted the police already about the short length of National Speed Limit road which causes speeding into Pleasant Valley **Agreed:** Clerk to write to Superintendent Ross Evans, Divisional commander, Police Headquarters, Haverfordwest regarding the parking on the road (which is in Amroth ward) and the speed on vehicles on the road.

* Swim on New years day in Amroth will go ahead organised by local businesses.
* Clean Sea’s leaflets have been printed and will be delivered to local primary schools where Bertie will be visiting.

**Date of next meeting is Thursday January 24th, 2019 at Amroth Parish Hall starting at 7.00 pm**

**The meeting closed at 20.40**